

RESOLUTION NO. 95-4

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, FLORIDA COMMENDING THE GOVERNOR, LEGISLATURE AND THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY FOR THEIR RESPONSE TO THE DEVASTATION OF HURRICANE OPAL, AND ASKING THEIR ASSISTANCE IN PROVIDING SWIFT FINANCIAL AID TO THE AFFECTED AREAS OF THE FLORIDA PANHANDLE.

WHEREAS, many of the cities, towns and villages of the Panhandle region of Florida were devastated by Hurricane Opal on October 4, 1995; and,

WHEREAS, many of these communities were in a recovery phase following Hurricane Erin earlier in the hurricane season, and damage estimates range in excess of \$2 billion dollars; and,

WHEREAS, Governor Chiles, the Emergency Management Division of the Department of Community Affairs, the Legislature and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) were immediately on the scene with offers of assistance; and,

WHEREAS, the Legislature and FEMA have agreed that the state will provide the required local match for federal assistance in light of the damages suffered by these communities; and,

WHEREAS, the officials of the City of Springfield wish to express our appreciation for this assistance and the quick response of national, state and local leaders; and,

WHEREAS, the primary task at hand for our cities is to rebuild and assist our residents in putting their lives back together.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE OFFICIALS OF THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD.

Section 1. That we do hereby commend the actions of our national, state and community leaders and express our deepest appreciation for their response and concern for the residents of the Florida Panhandle.

Section 2. That we hereby respectfully request swift delivery of the federal and state financial assistance as arranged by FEMA, Gov. Chiles and the Legislature; knowing that these funds will assist in the rebuilding of our communities.

Section 3. That copies of this resolution be provided to Gov. Chiles, the members of the Florida Congressional delegation and State Legislature representing the Panhandle region, FEMA, the State Emergency Management Division and other state agencies.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the City of Springfield Florida on
this 6 day of NOV, 1995.

CITY OF SPRINGFIELD



JERRE DEASON
MAYOR

ATTEST:



CHARLES YAUTZ CITY CLERK